

NORTH ALABAMA AUTOMOBILE SHOW WILL OPEN WEDNESDAY

WAR DECLARATION FROM THE KAISER IS NOW RUMORED

Washington Hears That Germany May Unleash The Dogs Without Further Parleying

NO OFFICIAL CONFIRMATION IS OBTAINED

Tighter Submarine Zone Would Be Thrown About Britain, According To Naval Circles.

GANG OF ROBBERS IS THOUGHT TO BE BACK OF THE MANY NORTH ALA. THEFTS

POLICE OF DECATUR SEARCHING FOR CLUE TO PERPETRATORS OF MANY BULGARIAN IN VALLEY.

FRANK HOME IS ROBBED

DIAMOND NECKLACE AND OTHER VALUABLES ARE TAKEN WHEN DECATUR RESIDENCE ENTERED LAST NIGHT.

The robbery of the home of Sam Frank, on Market street, last night, and many other burglaries over North Alabama have led the Decatur police department to believe a systematic plan of thieving is being carried out over the Tennessee valley. It is believed a well organized gang is operating in this section with headquarters in one of the cities, possibly here.

According to reports made to Chief of Police Carriger today, the Southern express office in the depot at Hillsboro and the store of W. T. Owens, of that city, were robbed Saturday night. Clothing valued at \$150 was taken from the Owens establishment. Bloodhounds from Lawrenceburg, Tenn., were put on the trail, but were unable to follow it, the owner of the dogs believing the robbers escaped on a train.

Chief Carriger also received a report that three places were robbed in Moulton Friday night, while two stores in Belle Mina were robbed on the same date. Details have not been received here.

A large number of burglaries have been reported from Huntsville during the past few weeks, while one has occurred in Athens and another is reported from Harris Station.

Diamonds Stolen.

Albany and Decatur also have been sufferers from the thieves, but not in such large doses as some of the other Tennessee valley cities, the robbery of the Frank home last night being the first in several nights.

The loss of a beautiful diamond necklace, a brooch and a bank containing \$7 in small change was reported to the police as being missing from the Frank home this morning. No clues were left by the thieves.

The home of D. D. McGehee was entered several nights ago, while the store of Hughes & Tidwell was robbed recently, but most of the goods taken were recovered.

The police are working hard on the case in an attempt to break up the alleged gang.

Ambassador Gerard At Capital Wednesday

Daytona, Fla., March 13.—James W. Gerard, former ambassador to Germany, today was putting the finishing touches on his report to President Wilson on the attitude of Germany towards the United States and conditions in the central empire. Mr. Gerard expects to get to Washington on Wednesday afternoon.

OPTIMISTIC NOTE SOUNDED; SMOKER GIVEN FOR ALBANY COMMERCE BOARD

MORE THAN SEVENTY MEMBERS AND GUESTS ENJOY REFRESHMENTS AND SPEECHES BY LIVE WIRES.

CHATTANOOGA ENCOURAGEMENT

SPEECHES MADE BY B. L. MALONE, R. L. SPENCER, L. P. TROUP, R. F. CALLOWAY OF CHATTANOOGA AND SECRETARY ARCHIBALD.

The most enthusiastic meeting of the Albany Board of Commerce was held last night at the rooms in the postoffice building. More than 70 members of the organization were present and enjoyed a smoker after the business meeting and speeches.

The meeting was called to order by W. R. Hall, president of the Board, who welcomed the members and guests. Dr. Livingston T. Mays, pastor of the Central Baptist church, was called on for a prayer and the speeches then began.

Mr. Hall read a telegram from C. H. Huston, a well-known Chattanooga business man, regretting his inability to accept the invitation of the Board and be present. Mr. Huston's telegram is as follows:

"I appreciate the invitation to be your guest tonight and expected to come but found it impossible at the last minute. Albany is doing a splendid work and if the citizens keep up their courage and stay with the job you will all be delighted with the results. While business conditions are better than when we started aggressive industrial work, it is not usually possible to land the desirable interests in a few months and the other kind is not worth while. I will hope for the privilege later of meeting with your members and our Chamber of Commerce would be delighted to have your board as our guests at some early meeting."

B. L. Malone was called on for a speech and expressed his deep interest in anything to develop Albany, and said he was ready at any time to help in any way he could. "Advertising is the keynote to bring people here to buy our products," said Mr. Malone. "I am interested in bringing the country trade to Albany, for that, as I see it, will double our population."

H. L. Spencer said he was optimistic over the situation locally, but expressed the opinion that Albany "has slept on its rights." He said Albany lacks county support, but this is coming fast. In unity of spirit we find unity of strength," he said. "Let us pull together."

R. H. Wolcott declared that Albany is the proper site for a great city, but more civic leaders are needed.

Probate Judge L. P. Troup expressed the opinion that the population of the city can be doubled in five years if the proper means are used. He said twenty-five small industries would be better than one large one. He offered his services to do anything he could toward getting the country people especially to come here.

Chattanooga Manufacturer Speaks.

R. F. Calloway, of Chattanooga, a member of the Manufacturers' association of his city, congratulated Albany on its Board of Commerce. He advised all citizens to get squarely behind the movement and results may be expected. Mr. Calloway spoke of how Chattanooga has grown from a small town to a city of 100,000 in a few years. He warned the members that the organization must be kept out of politics if results are to be obtained and expressed the opinion that if Muscle Shoals lands the nitrate plant the population of Albany will treble in five years. Mr. Calloway advised the Board as to the best methods of getting new industries and said manufacturers should be shown the raw materials and given every advantage possible to induce them to locate here. He said if the

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WEALTH OF BEAUTY TO GREET VISITORS TO AUTO SHOW AT ITS GRAND OPENING

SCORES OF CARS READY FOR THE THOUSANDS WHO WILL COME FROM ALL PARTS OF NORTH ALABAMA.

DECORATIONS MAGNIFICENT

SCENE OF RARE BEAUTY AT THE HOME OF MALONE COAL, GRAIN AND MOTOR COMPANY, PROMOTERS OF SHOW.

Resplendent in gay decorations, the North Alabama automobile show will be formally opened to the public at 2:30 o'clock Wednesday afternoon by the Malone Coal, Grain and Motor Company, promoters of the mammoth exhibit. The show will run until Saturday night.

After months of planning and weeks of work, the auto show was nearing completion this afternoon and by noon tomorrow the final details will be completed. The plans for the show were made by Baynard L. Malone of the Malone Company, and the execution of the plans required the services of a large force of men who have been busy for weeks.

The show will be a marvel of beauty. It will be a distinct surprise to the thousands who are expected to come from all parts of North Alabama, on entering the big show rooms the visitors will be struck by two features especially—the scores of beautiful cars and unique demonstrations and the thousands of flowers and decorations.

The ceiling of the big building has been covered by literally thousands of white and yellow chrysanthemums and miles of green vines. The light is furnished by scores of electrolights with yellow and white trimmings.

Cars! Cars! Cars!

The cars are decorated with ribbons. Occupying the center of the windows that extend for half a block along Second avenue are magnificent models of Cadillac, Overland, Mitchell, Chevrolet and other automobiles in the show. Cars line the walls and floor from the front entrance back a full city block to the rear where the band will be stationed. Upstairs will also be fifty or more cars.

Besides the automobiles and the various accessories to be demonstrated, an interesting feature will be the music. This will be furnished by two bands, one being used during the day and the other relieving it during the night show. Other special features will be announced from day to day.

School Children Not Slighted.

The automobile show will be the mecca for the school children of Albany and Decatur tomorrow afternoon. From 2:30 to 3:30 o'clock the pupils of the grammar school grades of the cities will be invited to see the show. From 3:30 to 4:30 o'clock the students of the two high schools will be shown through the building. At least 2,000 school children are expected to view the big exhibit Wednesday afternoon.

Program for Week.

Tomorrow is grand opening day. The remainder of the program for the week is as follows:

Thursday afternoon and night—Albany-Decatur Day. The Albany Board of Commerce, attending in a body.

Friday afternoon and night—Society Day. Albany-Decatur, Huntsville, Athens, Hartselle, Courtland and Trinity Day.

Saturday afternoon and night—Morgan County Day.

Auto Show Breaks Records.

The North Alabama automobile show will break all records. Never before has an event in a North Alabama city been so extensively advertised and never before has there been such a wide-spread interest in a public event in North Alabama. From within a radius of fifty miles of the queen city of North Alabama will come thousands of visitors who will be welcomed at the auto show and by the business men of the Twin Cities generally. The citizenship of the Twin Cities is behind the auto show and a royal welcome awaits the visitors.

Nitrate Plant Commission Starts Back to The Capital

RESTING AFTER HEAVY ARTILLERY WORK



A snapshot from the English front, showing "Tommie" enjoying a brief breathing spell after heavy artillery firing.

L. & N. FREIGHT MEN THREATEN TO STRIKE

Employees Of Seven Roads May Walk Out If Demands Are Not Granted.

(International News Service.) Washington, March 13.—First official intimation of the possibility of a great railroad strike this week reached the White House today, in a letter signed by the four brotherhood heads.

It informed the president that a conference with the railroad managers would be held Thursday and that the brotherhoods were hopeful of working out a satisfactory agreement. If they failed, the letter continued, and the country should find itself at war, the brotherhood would support the president to "the fullest extent."

No flat declaration that a strike would be called was contained in the letter.

(International News Service.) New York, March 13.—A nationwide railroad strike hinges on the conference between brotherhood leaders and railway executives here on Thursday.

Strike orders have been issued to the brotherhood leaders and they will hold this over the heads of the railway officials when they meet to attempt a settlement. Brotherhood leaders are confident that the meeting will bring a capitulation from the railroad executives.

The first stroke in the effort of the brotherhoods to force an 8-hour day will be dealt at 6 p. m. Saturday when freight trainmen on seven eastern railroads will be called out. If this does not bring the desired shorter day for the trainmen further strikes will be called at intervals of 24 hours and by March 21 a nation-wide strike will be in effect. There will be a complete tie-up of both passenger and freight traffic throughout the country.

The strike order to go into effect on Saturday night will apply to freight train workers on the New York Central, the Baltimore & Ohio, the Erie, the Atlantic Coast Line, the Seaboard Air Line the L. & N. and the Southern railway.

The order will effect all freight trainmen in southern and eastern territory.

THREE POWERFUL ALLIED NATIONS ARE FACING A SERIOUS POLITICAL CRISIS

RUSSIAN, FRENCH AND ENGLISH CABINETS MAY BE OVERTHROWN BY DISCONTENTED DEPUTIES.

PETROGRAD SITUATION GRAVE

PREMIER BRIAND TO BE INTERPELLED IN CHAMBER, AND MAY BE FORCED TO MAKE CONCESSIONS.

(International News Service.) London, March 13.—The three most powerful allied nations faced a serious political crisis today.

Suspension of the sittings of the Russian Duma by Czar Nicholas has created a situation of the utmost gravity at Petrograd. Dispatches to London papers, passed by the Russian censor, hint at the possibilities of a revolution in the Czar's empire.

Attacked by powerful opposition in parliament, the French cabinet, headed by Premier Briand, neared the brink of disaster when the chamber of deputies met today. The government was to be interpellated on the general conduct of the war. It was generally believed that only a promise of radical changes in the ministry would save it from a fall.

In London the Lloyd George cabinet is nearer being overthrown than at any time since its formation. The storm will burst tomorrow when Lloyd George will face a bitter fight over a proposal to raise the tariff. However, the situation at Petrograd holds possibilities of the greatest moment to the allies.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Clyde Gentle, of Linerock, to Miss Carrie May Allison.

Ogilvie Mullins to Miss Iola McCleskey.

Will Dave Jones to Miss Robble Duke.

Charles Owens to Miss Ellie Lindsey.

Visited Mt. Pleasant and Nashville Today, Following Inspection Of Muscle Shoals.

MEMORABLE TRIP DOWN RIVER

SECRETARY OF WAR RODE IN PILOT HOUSE AND IN CAB OF DINKY LOCOMOTIVE.

JAGGED ROCKS HIDDEN IN WATER

TRI-CITIES EXTEND ROYAL WELCOME TO VISITORS AND THE WHISTLES BLOW AS BOAT ARRIVES.

(Staff Correspondence.)

Sheffield, Ala., March 13.—The Tri-Cities today settled down to their normal calm and to a period of "hopeful waiting" following the visit yesterday of the inter-departmental commission named by President Wilson to select the site of the \$20,000,000 government nitrate plant. The distinguished party reached Florence at 3:30 o'clock in the afternoon from Decatur, where they had begun the momentous trip at 9:50 o'clock in the morning. During a few hours they had traversed the historic Tennessee river at flood stage for a distance of 35 miles, and had glimpsed some of the mightiest and most picturesque stretches of water in the world.

When the three members of the official household of the chief executive of the United States, and the departmental chiefs who had accompanied them, left here last night at 9 o'clock for Mt. Pleasant, Tenn., to inspect the phosphate fields of that section, they had not broken their silence regarding the final outcome of their search for the most feasible site for the great federal industry that will emancipate America from the tax imposed by a South American nation through its control of the nitrate supply of the world. Not a word had escaped their lips regarding the winner of the juicy plum, and it was still a guess as to the probable victor. From Mt. Pleasant they will proceed to Nashville, where the claims of the Cumberland river will be briefly presented. Then they will start back to Washington, arriving at the national capital Friday. Although no official announcement to that effect has been made, it was generally understood that on a subsequent trip, the power states of the west and middle west would be inspected. When the final decision will be announced is still problematical.

Commission Impressed.

Although preserving the strictest reticence, it was apparent yesterday that the three secretaries—Baker, Lane and Houston—were much impressed with the possibilities of Muscle Shoals. During the day they had asked searching questions regarding certain features of the proposed development, and had showed the keenest interest in the cost and operation of the big nitrate factory. Secretary of War Baker, chief of the engineering service, was constantly in the pilot house as the Lookout steamed swiftly down the river. After he had left the boat and boarded the government train, he rode in the cab with Engineer Johnny Wilson. Below Lock Four the dinky locomotive plowed its way through water that covered the track, but which was not high enough to extinguish the fire under the boilers. Secretaries Houston and Lane also rode in the pilot houses of both the Colbert and Lookout.

Through Historic Scenes.

During their trip from Decatur to Florence, the commission had passed through many scenes of historic interest. To them was pointed out the lands of Gen. Joe Wheeler, the fighting cavalry leader of two wars. They saw the place where Frank and Jesse James had held up and robbed a federal paymaster, according to allegation, although the noted bandits had been acquitted of the crime. Their attention had been called to the old

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Tuscaloosa took up a lot of valuable time presenting claims of the Warrior river to the nitrate plant. It would seem that Alabama is going to be forced to enlarge a certain institution she maintains in that city soon.

Whatever other arguments may be brought into the discussion, it is a dead sure bet that there is more power at the Shoals than there are "muscles," so why not call it Muscle Shoals and let it go at that?

All that's left now for the Teutons to plot is the destruction of the White House and the assassination of President Wilson.

CHINA, TOO, BREAKS OFF WITH GERMANY

RELATIONS REPORTED SEVERED FOLLOWING ACTION OF SENATE AND HOUSE.

(International News Service.)

London, March 13.—A dispatch from Tokyo today reported that China has broken off diplomatic relations with Germany because of her submarine warfare. This has not been confirmed from Peking.

The report occasioned no surprise here. News of the break has been expected hourly since the Chinese senate and house approved a severance of relations by overwhelming vote.

The latest dispatches from Peking, however, asserted that the German minister was making an attempt to avert a break. China's accession to the ranks of the allies will have principally a moral effect.

Officer Exchanges Shots With Man in Darkness Of Night

Patrolman Halbrooks, of the Decatur police department, probably owes his life to the poor aim of an unidentified stranger who exchanged several shots with him in the darkness last night near the Carnegie library. The shooting followed the arrest of a local man on a charge of being drunk. Someone resented the officer's action, it is said, and shot twice at him. Halbrooks replied several times, but none of the shots took effect. No arrest had been made up to a late hour today. One theory was that the stranger left town on a night train following the shooting.

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Just In Passing

APPRECIATED COMPLIMENT.

"I want to say a word of praise for the paper you people are putting out," said Paul Stevenson, of the Birmingham News, who was here to "cover" the inspection of Muscle Shoals for his paper. "I see nearly all of the exchanges that come into the News office and it is my opinion that the Daily is the brightest, newest and most attractive of any of the smaller dailies in the state and in fact in this section. I am familiar with the concentrated effort that is required to public a daily paper and I am sure that if every man did, Albany and Decatur indeed would be proud of their publication. The Daily, too, is gradually forcing its way into general recognition over the state. I have watched its growth for some time and I feel sure if it continues, as it has been in the past, the Daily soon will be ranked with the leading publications of Alabama, barring none of the larger cities. My congratulations are extended."

HIGH TO HAVE GOOD TEAM.

"The boys of the Albany high school already are beginning to practice for the approaching baseball season," said Jeff Eyster. "Yesterday quite a few were out limbering up. Prospects are good for an excellent team this year. The team will be a little light, as past teams have been, but we are very hopeful of more than holding our own with the rest of the high school and prep teams of this section. Coach Jones has a large amount of material to select his combination from and some of it is good."

CONSIDER THE PANAMA CANAL.

"Few people really realize the magnitude of the proposed development at Muscle Shoals," said a well known local business man today. "We have heard of the plans for harnessing the latent horsepower there for so long, we accept it as a matter of course. We all know it is a big thing, but few of us ever stop to think that under the plans as proposed now, the project resembles the digging of the Panama canal in size. Imagine what prosperity would be brought to this section if the government spent \$20,000,000 in this valley and nothing else in the way of industrial development followed it. The matter of expenditure of that sum would bring riches to thousands along the banks of the Tennessee."

AMUSEMENTS

The patrons of the Masonic will have a treat in store for them when Hans and Fritz and company of forty musical comedy stars come to Albany on Wednesday night, March 14. This is what the Nashville Banner has to say about it:

"Hans and Fritz" Splendid Comedy.

"Another Gus Hill comedy that should take well with the fun-loving theatregoers of this city is 'Hans and Fritz,' which opened its week's engagement at the Orpheum last night. A packed house saw the initial performance.

"Hans and Fritz might be called a concoction of compressed hilarity in three doses, for the three acts that make up the show are fairly saturated with the good humor so characteristic of most of Gus Hill's comedies. The show carries with it some real laugh-producers, two excellent acrobats, all the very latest rag-time music and the most dazzling array of costumes that ever accompanied a popular-priced show to this city. Taking everything into consideration, it's a winner all the way through.

"Hans, Fritz, der Captain and Mrs. Katzenjammer, the leading characters, need no introduction. One of the pleasing features of Hans and Fritz is its well-trained chorus, every member of which is as pretty as a peach."

Don't Dabble With Dangerous Drugs

Dangerous drugs, such as Calomel, should not be used indiscriminately. As calomel is a mineral made from mercury it should never be taken except under the advice of your physician, and even then it is liable to salfate you. There is no longer any need for you to run the risk of taking calomel, as science has discovered a substitute for it which is called Lemolac. This new medicine is a purely vegetable, pleasant tasting syrup that acts gently but surely on your liver and does not cause you to lose time from your work. Every one should give Lemolac a thorough trial, as the manufacturers have sufficient confidence in its merits to guarantee it to please you. Lemolac is sold by Owl Drug Co., and Thompson Drug Store.

P. S.—If you forget the name spell calomel backward. (Adv.)

NITRATE PLANT COMMISSION

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acqueduct, constructed of steel imported from Germany, prior to the time when Alabama had come to the fore as a great steel manufacturing commonwealth; they were shown the old state canal, abandoned in 1897. Their attention was especially called to the sites of the three proposed dams that will make the shoals navigable all the year round—the small navigation dam just above the Florence bridge, the 100-foot dam three miles above Florence and the 40-foot dam at Lock Two. The limestone cliffs that dot the river bank were pointed out as the sources of the 98 per cent pure limestone rock that is used in the manufacture of fertilizer. Their attention was even attracted to the lots in Florence that had been bought by Presidents Madison and Monroe, and were driven over the proposed Jackson military highway. The sheer drop of 87 feet from Lock One to Lock Six, and the 126-foot drop from Decatur to Florence, in conjunction with the vast volume of water that flows through the Shoals were presented as the evidences of the most gigantic water power to be found at any place in the "safety zone."

Dinner at Lock Two.

Sticking to the channel the Look-out steamed down past Locks A and B without a halt. At Lock One the steamer veered in to the canal and was lowered through the lock. Arriving at Lock Two, the boat tied up for thirty minutes while luncheon was served. Secretary Baker, "thoroughly democratic, insisted that his party dine from an unpretentious table covered with a flowered tablecloth on the deck of the boat, while the unofficial guests ate from spotless damask that covered the more elaborately appointed tables set in the steamer's dining room. The pieces de resistance of the menu were five fat turkeys, one extra having been killed through error. The meal had been prepared with unusual skill, and the twenty-six persons who sat down to the three tables were loud in their praise of the Lookout's cuisine.

After luncheon the party boarded the government train and were rapidly conveyed to Lock Six, where Secretary Baker alighted and inspected the government shipyards. The stay here was not of more than five minutes duration, and at Lock Eight the Colbert was boarded. Owing to the high water, the boat had not been able to put in at Lock Nine. Thirty minutes later the siren call of the big whistle of the Sloss-Sheffield furnace at Florence announced the arrival of the Colbert, and the party disembarked and were driven in automobiles to the Elks Home, where an informal reception was tendered. The crowd that lined the river bank had rapidly drifted up-town and helped to swell the throngs assembled there. After a short spin about the city, during which the substantial residential section was viewed, the automobiles pulled up in front of the Home, and Congressman E. B. Almon took charge as master of ceremonies. He first introduced Senator Bankhead as "Muscle Shoals' best friend." Then he presented in turn Secretaries Baker, Houston and Lane. As each name was called, a volume of cheers rent the air. This formality ended, the visitors entered the building and forming a line were presented to hundreds of citizens of Florence, Tusculum and Sheffield.

From the Home they proceeded to a special street car and were conveyed to Sheffield where their special Pullmans had been parked. Secretary Baker alone remained at Florence, being the guest for dinner of Ed O'Neal, a class-mate at college.

Cost is an Item.

"Your price is high," a chance remark said to have been dropped by a member of the commission is taken to mean that the cost of the Tennessee river development will figure in the selection of a site. The opinion is now freely expressed that if the bulk of the appropriation goes to one location, that the Shoals is sure to win. Army engineers do not hesitate to declare that Muscle Shoals has no genuine competitor, and will win purely on its merit, unless it is thought expedient to split the appropriation and build several small plants in order to assure a quick supply of nitrate in the event of war with Germany. The estimates

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for the plant at the Shoals originally called for more than \$13,000,000, and \$2,000,000 has since been added to this to cover the increased cost of steel. It is pointed out, too, by the friends of the Shoals, that the estimates in connection with many other sites are largely guess work. As an illustration, they point to Hale's Bar development, completed at a cost of \$11,000,000, although the first guess was only \$2,500,000. To offset the cost of construction, the Tennessee River Improvement association engineers figure that the surplus horsepower which could be developed there could be used to vast advantage to the farmers of America in the production of commercial fertilizer. Their calculations show that 100,000 horse-power, generated at a cost of \$4.00 per horse-power, would be sufficient for the manufacture of more than 2,000,000 tons of fertilizer yearly. On a peace basis, it is contended, the development of Muscle Shoals would be of great commercial advantage to the agriculturist, while if smaller plants were built they would be practically useless except in time of war. And at least one member of the inter-departmental commission not only believes there will be no war with the Kaiser, but holds the opinion that the German military machine is crumbling beneath the blows of the allies and that the European struggle will not continue for more than a year.

Saw No Rocks.

The visit being coincident with the flood stage of the river, the cabinet officers saw but little of the shoals as they are known to those familiar with the Tennessee at all stages. The river is nearly two miles wide at Lock Six, and in the summer season a man wearing rubber boots can wade for one and a quarter miles without getting wet. Yesterday this vast stretch of jagged rocks was covered by several feet of water, sufficient for the navigation of river steamers. The velocity and the volume of water were easily apparent and the majestic stream roared its wondrous potentialities as it poured down over the shoals and past the three hundred islands that dot its course from the locks to Florence.

Personality of Secretaries.

The three cabinet members who compose the commission are of widely varying types. Secretary Baker is small of stature and democratic in manner even to the extent of smoking a pipe in preference to cigars. He dresses after the conventional manner of the modern business man and wears nose glasses. Secretary Houston is dignified and imposing, inclined to be reserved, and looks much like the typical American bank president. Secretary Lane is picturesquely western and affects a slouch hat that far outshines the conventional headpiece

Senator Bankhead, so familiar to Alabama voters. It is gray in color, with a brim that slopes down over the face. He is affable in manner and has an expression of unusual immobility. Professor Waldo, of Vanderbilt University, and Colonel Keller, of the engineer's department, were the other two small men of party that made the trip yesterday. Colonel Keller was a dead "ringer" in size and general appearance to Secretary Baker, and was often mistaken for the war lord. Professor Waldo has handled Muscle Shoals' claims in a masterly manner. He answered every question propounded to him with a quick readiness and thoroughness that evoked the praise of all friends of the Alabama site.

Personnel of the Party.

In addition to the official party, those who made the trip down the river yesterday were: Prof. Waldo, of Vanderbilt University; Maj. Lytle Brown, chief government engineer and Assistant Engineer Winn; C. W. Ashcraft and Judge Joe Nathan, vice-presidents of the Tennessee River Improvement association; Col. J. W. Worthington of Sheffield; Col. Joe Gibson, of Hillsboro; Frank Willis Barnett, of the Age-Herald; Senator John H. Bankhead; Congressman E. B. Almon, Paul Stevenson, of the Birmingham News; H. Fontaine Little, a Sheffield newspaper writer; H. D. Harkreader of the Albany-Decatur Daily. The official party, as previously published, was:

Secretaries Baker, Lane, Houston. Gen. William Black, chief engineer, U. S. A.; Colonel Wheeler of the ordnance department; Colonel Keller of the chief engineer's office; Dr. Otis G. Smith, director of geological survey; Dr. Charles Parsons, Mr. Merrill, chief engineer forestry service, and Mr. Caruthers of the bureau of soils.

Bankhead Goes Home.

Senator Bankhead left last night for his home at Jasper, where he will remain for a few days before returning to Washington. Congressman Almon went to Nashville today to rejoin the party. Much of the success of the visit to Alabama was due to the unflagging zeal of the Eighth district congressman, and to Colonel Worthington, both of whom have been constantly in attendance since the Alabama inspection trip began.

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Averages of the Sunday Schools of Albany and Decatur This report will be published each week:

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SCHOOL	Total Enroll	No. Present	Per School
First Baptist, Decatur	125	105	840
Central Baptist, Albany	246	145	589
Baptist South Albany	195	136	692
Baptist, East Albany	176		
First Christian, Albany	95	65	684
First Methodist, Decatur	301	195	647
Central Methodist, Albany	448	221	491
Ninth Street Methodist, South Albany			
First Presbyterian, Decatur	110	67	609
West Side Presbyterian West Albany	154	94	610
Westminster Presb't'n, Albany	135	103	755
Willoughby Presbyterian, South Albany	130	102	784
St. John Episcopal	70	31	442
Jalvation Army Decatur-Albany			
Sackston St. Church of Christ	110	67	689
Fairview Baptist			
Austinville Baptist			



The Dixie Girls with Hans and Fritz at the Masonic theatre Wednesday night, March 14th.

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HELP WANTED, REAL ESTATE AND HOMES FOR SALE, LOST or FOUND, LOANS ETC. All Want Ads Cash in Advance.

No advertisement taken for less than 25 cents
25 words, 1 time 25c 50 words, 1 time .50c
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WANTED—Position as housekeeper by a middle aged woman. Phone 688 Albany.

FOR RENT—Nice 5-room house, 325 Church street. Phone 189-J Decatur. J. S. Patterson. 8-1f

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FOR RENT—Two rooms in central Albany, unfurnished; suitable for light housekeeping, and a bargain. Telephone 146 Albany. 13-1f

FOUND AND ESTRAY—One red heifer, about 15 months old. Owner can have by paying for this notice and for cost of keep. J. L. Echols, Decatur. 10-3f

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FARM LOANS AT 5 1/2% Annual Interest. On improved farms in Morgan, Limestone and Lawrence Counties. Term, five years. Can be paid off altogether or in part any year. Amounts \$2,500 and up. Prompt service and no fees except reasonable commission. W. A. BIBB & SON, Albany, Ala. Phone 228. 14-1m

FOR SALE—Printing machinery, at a bargain. One 10x15 Chandler & Price press, one 23-inch Chandler & Price paper cutter, one Boston treadle wire stapler, one 20-inch Rosback treadle perforator; also type, stands and other printing necessities. Write to "W," care of The Albany-Decatur Daily. 10-1f

FLAT FOR RENT—Seven-room, newly overhauled, modern conveniences. \$8 per month. Call W. B. Edmundson. Phone Albany 124. 18-1f

BARGAINS—I have two 5-acre tracts with new cottages, and also two 5-acre tracts with no improvements, in West Town. Installments, E. H. Allison. 20-1f

WOOD FOR SALE—Heater or stove wood. Call Wilder Place, 124, New Decatur. M 2-177

Modern Bungalow—On Fifth avenue, west, north of Moulton St., just completed; suppose you look at it and see me for price and terms. J. A. Thornhill, Phone 281.

Just to call your attention again to the fact that your subscription to either the Saturday Evening Post, Ladies Home Journal or Country Gentleman. Phone 46, or 274-w, Albany. tieman would be appreciated by Benjamin Bloodworth, Curtis representa-

Phone Decatur 70

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Quick Messenger Boys

Hunter's, 609 Bank St.

I have opened an up-to-date CONFECTIONARY STAND in Thompson's former store: Home-made Candy, Lunches, Fruit and Tobacco. Your patronage solicited.

ANDREW ZARCOS

who used to sell peanuts on the corner

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Why repair, re-finish, remodel or build in the old way when you can get better results with BEAVER BOARD (the genuine) at the same cost or less?

Get our estimate before going ahead with any work.

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The arrival of our Spring Line of SHIRTS and NECKWEAR involves the newest color effects and patterns that truly represents

FASHION'S LATEST STYLE THOUGHTS

Our Howard & Foster Oxfords of Odds and Ends Sale. Only a few more pairs left at \$4.00 This sale at this time is for your benefit

SAMUEL SPIELBERGER

"Ye Shoppe of Progress"

Business or professional cards from The Daily.

12 'ARTISTS' WIN THEATRE TICKETS

BOX SEAT AWARDED DRAWERS OF HANS AND FRITZ BY THE DAILY.

Twelve "artists" will be presented with tickets for a box seat at the performance of Hans and Fritz at the Masonic theatre tomorrow night, if they will but call at the office of the Albany-Decatur Daily. The contest inaugurated by the Daily proved unusually successful, much interest being taken and a large number of drawings were submitted. It was hard for the judges to choose the best 12, many of them being par excellence.

The following were the winners and they are asked to call at the office and receive their tickets:

Alice Waters, Lewis Christenson, Nathan Pryor, Peggy Davis, Marjorie Pointer, Charles Woodward, Dorothy Cook, Sam Hollingsworth, Dorothy Patterson, Lorine Henderson of Athens, Lucile Reese, Strater Coppage.

Army Y. M. C. A. Work is Subject of Lecture

Free Entertainment to Be Given at 8 O'clock Tonight at Y.

A free lecture descriptive of the work of the Army Y. M. C. A. Work along the Mexican border and illustrated by 72 stereopticon views will be given at 8 o'clock tonight at the Y. M. C. A. Soldiers and relatives of soldiers are especially invited to the lecture. The general public is also invited.

Fair Weather Is The Weather Man's Guess

Every dog has its day. This is our day—or rather week. For there is a whole lot going on including—

An auto show, fashion show, dress-up week, theatre engagement, bankers' meeting and a few other things.

We want fair weather, And— The weather man says we are going to have it For a whole week. Good Old World!

SOCIETY

Margaret Clinton Shelton, Phone 682, Albany

SILK STOCKING CLUB.

Mrs. John W. Jones was hostess on Saturday morning to the Silk Stocking club. Mrs. Stanley Green made the top score. After the presentation of the prize, a salad followed by an ice was served. Miss Marjorie Workman was the only guest.

MUSIC STUDY CHORUS.

The Music Study Chorus will meet with Mrs. W. R. Shelton Thursday at 2 o'clock.

Misses Mary Penick, Pansy Russell and Percy Craig were the guests of Miss Birdie Yarbrough at Athens on Monday.

Mrs. Thomas H. Wilson, of Tennessee, will arrive Friday to be the guest of Mrs. T. M. Jones.

Miss Elizabeth Simpson and Mrs. J. A. Hartselle, of Hartselle, were visitors in the city today.

Miss Lucile Patterson is recuperating from an operation for tonsillitis.

Harry Thaw Insane, This Jury Asserts

(International News Service.) Philadelphia, March 13.—Mrs Mary Copely Thaw won the first skirmish in the battle to keep her son out of the clutches of New York state authorities, here today when a sheriff's jury adjudged Harry K. Thaw insane. Thaw will remain in Pennsylvania, his home state.

BANKHEAD THINKS SHOALS IS PLACE

SENIOR SENATOR BELIEVES THE NITRATE PLANT WILL COME TO ALABAMA.

The nitrate plant will be placed at Muscle Shoals within the next few months, is the opinion of Senator Bankhead, who was here today to go to the Shoals with the party of cabinet members and government engineers. He expressed unbounded optimism over the outlook for the entire state this morning, believing that the coming of the nitrate plant will be but the beginning of an era of unprecedented development in this section.

While loquacious when speaking of the Shoals, Senator Bankhead was rather reticent in regard to recent political upheavals in Washington. Reporters drew but little from him regarding the recent filibuster in the senate, when the president's armed ship bill was defeated by La Follette and his associates. Senator Bankhead stood squarely behind the president, but did not join in the vituperation which has been heaped upon the senator from Wisconsin.

CLUB CALENDAR.

Wednesday.

Beauregard Club—Mrs. E. Preuit.

Friday.

Auction Bridge—Automobile Show, Society Day—Malone Garage.

Saturday.

Silk Stocking Club—Saturday Club.

Mrs. Samuel Spielberger is resting well today after an operation for tonsillitis at the Benevolent hospital Monday.

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Claimed Teuton Agents Try Incite The Negroes Against The U. S. A.

(International News Service.)

Memphis, March 13.—Federal authorities were today informed that German agents have been working throughout the southern states for months past inciting negroes to desert the United States government in the event of war with Germany.

John W. Farley, former government census taker here, today made the report to the authorities. He refused to make known the source of his information.

NORTH ALABAMA BANKERS MEET

AFTERNOON SESSION BEING HELD AT ALBANY BOARD; NIGHT BANQUET AT MASONIC.

Members of Group No. 1, Alabama Bankers' association, comprising 13 North Alabama counties, met at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon in the rooms of the Albany Board of Commerce. The night session and banquet will be held at the Masonic theatre building.

The program being carried out today is as follows:

Meeting called to order by Group Vice President Thos. A. Bowles, at the Albany Board of Commerce.

Address of Welcome—Hon. L. P. Troup, judge of probate.

Response by visiting banker.

Business session.

Address by Mrs. G. H. Mathis, field agent Alabama Bankers' association.

Night Session.

Dinner, 6:30 p. m.

LIVELY FIGHTING WESTERN FRONT

SEVERAL ENGAGEMENTS REPORTED BY WAR OFFICES. NO IMPORTANT WINS.

(International News Service.)

Berlin, March 13.—Following artillery preparations, English detachments attacked on a wide front south of Arras, but were repulsed with heavy losses. The French made a limited gain of ground on the southern slope, but at extremely heavy losses, the war office announced.

Proper Illustration.

It is a mistake, avers the Illuminating Engineer Society, to use a bright light against a dark background, and while an artistic fixture is well enough as a decoration, yet lamps which in themselves are good and suitable will not be satisfactory from a hygienic standpoint unless the fixtures are in the right position. In planning the illumination of a room it is only common sense to determine just what you are going to use that room for, and then to arrange the lighting. By doing this it should be possible for people of middle age to add years of excellent eyesight which otherwise would soon diminish. Where children of various ages are in a family the matter of artificial light is of great importance. The general health of a growing boy or girl may be seriously affected by careless lighting, especially in rooms where they read or study their lessons.

Victorious But Conquered.

Victories are often purchased at great cost. Sometimes the victory becomes a defeat. What tickles the national fancy may drive men to extremes but the extremes may bring consequences little dreamed of. In the midst of the celebrations of victory the collapse of power may begin. No nation is so dangerously near calamity as it is in the moment of its triumphs. Then it is that the bars of restraint are lowered and follies caper in the guise of festive heralds of greatness. One can't rise and by rising tamper with principles. No man can ever get above his honor and remain worthy of himself. The fact that you rise is evidence that you will need all your powers to keep you in high station.

Masonic Theatre

ONE NIGHT ONLY Wednesday, March 14

GUS HILL, Presents

HANS AND FRITZ

By R. DIRKS
Originator of



The Katzenjammer Kids

40--People--40 20 Tuneful Tunes

An Innovation of Startling Surprises
Every line a laugh. Every dance a joy. Cute little kiddies and some pretty big darlings

Nashville Banner says: "The funniest show seen here this season—splendid comedy"

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The extra fine quality of Valier's Dainty Flour not only makes whiter, lighter and finer looking baking, but it makes baking that tastes better.
Valier's Dainty Flour is made of finest flavored wheat; milled by a special slow process, which saves all of the fine flavor; then sifted through silk to make its texture extra fine. It is quality flour and gives quality results in baking. Have your grocer send you Valier's Dainty next time you need flour.
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We are also prepared to furnish you with all kinds of fancy and brick cream any flavor on short notice.

Remember that we are here to please and give you values that will be well worth the money at all times. Drop into our store and try this Delicious Ice Cream. It will suit your palate, calls for more.

Agents--NORRIS CANDY

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DECATUR, ALA.



It's in the dead of night; all is quiet. Suddenly baby coughs, a choking, croupy cough—a warning of danger. It's a tense moment for mother. Something must be done—done instantly. The quickest relief is to rub the throat, chest and nostrils with

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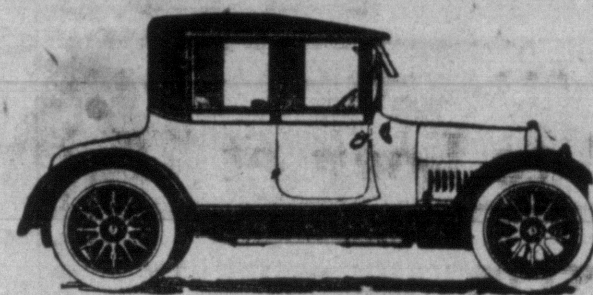
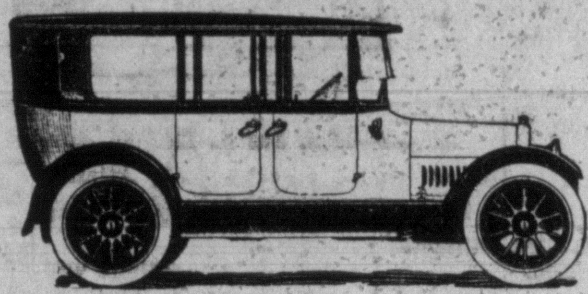
a clear, pure, white combination of menthol, camphor, petrolatum and eucalyptol. It vaporizes from the heat of the body and is absorbed—the vapor soothing the membranes and relieving the congested condition. Sometimes it is advisable for the child to swallow a few lumps the size of a pea.

Keep MENTH-ALBA always on hand. Its healing oils are helpful in all ailments resulting from inflammation of the membranes—pneumonia, pleurisy, catarrh, sore throat or tonsils, neuralgia. It's antiseptic, healing and very beneficial as a local application for burns, sores, insect bites and after shaving.

It is the most helpful and needful article you can keep in your medicine chest. Order a jar from your druggist today. Price 25 cents.

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Everybody Welcome to the Free Show

Will Start Promptly On Time

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Now Is The Time To Cut The High Cost Of Living

We can help you to do it by furnishing
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to fence the garden with. Prices as cheap as quality
goods can be sold

CROW & CROW

DON'T FORGET

That this is dress-up-week, and if you
can't have a new dress or suit, re-
member we can DRY CLEAN YOUR
OLD ONE and press it, making it
look as good as most new ones.

Phone your order in early

Quality Laundry & Dry Cleaners

Phone 100 Decatur
"WE CLEAN ANYTHING"

TRY A WANT AD

The Margin of Safety

The Government requires that a National Bank located in a city such as Albany, carry at all times a reserve [Cash and Exchange] of 12% against its deposits.

The reserve of the Central has during the past year averaged fifty thousand dollars more than this required 12%. This excess, above the legal requirement, represents the Margin of Safety which it is the purpose of this bank to maintain at all times in all matters.

Statement of Condition March 5, 1917

Resources		Liabilities	
Loans and Discounts.....	\$187,039.50	Capital Stock.....	\$100,000.00
Acceptances—Cotton.....	163,500.00	Surplus.....	3,500.00
Overdrafts.....	6.36	Undivided Profits.....	4,561.53
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation..	75,000.00	Reserved for Interest.....	300.00
Five Per Cent Redemption Fund ..	3,750.00	Reserved for Taxes.....	123.41
Furniture and Fixtures.....	9,038.35	Deposits.....	223,740.73
Stock in Federal Reserve Bank.....	3,100.00	Circulation.....	75,000.00
Stocks and Bonds.....	3,177.82	Bills Payable.....	40,000.00
Cash and Due from Banks.....	90,105.64	Re-Discounts.....	87,492.00
Total.....	\$534,717.67	Total.....	\$534,717.67

Comparative Statement of Deposits

Dec. 27, 1914.....	\$127,262.31
Dec. 27, 1915.....	\$143,166.48
Dec. 27, 1916.....	\$208,919.88
March 5, 1917.....	\$223,740.73

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ALBANY, ALABAMA

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OPTIMISTIC NOTE SOUNDED SMOKER

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city succeeds in getting three or four new factories the rest will follow.

Secretary Archibald closed the meeting with a speech along optimistic lines. "Much work is being done," he said, "but the less said about it the better. Albany has bright prospects if the city can raise the money. We expect to land a good industry shortly. We are going slowly but surely."

President Hall announced the opening of the auto show Wednesday and said the Board would attend in a body Thursday night at 7:30 o'clock.

Thos. A. Bowles invited all to hear Mrs. G. H. Mathis this afternoon address the group bankers, and Mr. Malone asked the board to co-operate to entertain 300 delegates to the Baptist state convention to be held here at an early date.

The Board voted thanks to Decatur Ice Cream Co. and Twin City Bakery for products served to the members during the smoker.

The following were present at the meeting:

J. B. Cassels, E. H. Allison, E. P. Troup, Chas. Bassett, Andrew Patterson, H. S. McJilton, H. L. Spencer, R. W. Cowart, Matthew Britain, R. C. Chandler, Dr. L. T. Mays, Jas. Coutsas, Dr. L. A. Nell, E. W. Strothers, Hal Mullen, Jerre Clark, A. H. Hanson, Dr. W. A. Rickles, R. F. Calloway, Floyd Taylor, F. A. Bloodworth, F. C. Cook, W. H. Clark, R. E. Glenn, J. A. Buttrey, Dr. McGlathery, Chas. Mcintire, Dr. A. T. Grayson, W. R. Shelton, W. R. Hall, Henry R. Davis, Jno Minor, W. W. Moss, R. C. Lieb, S. H. Malone, B. L. Malone, W. E. Silyer, I. J. Kuhn, T. A. Bowles, Stanley Wyatt, Lamer Penney, Dr. H. C. Ayer, R. H. Wolcott, W. H. Duncan, J. T. Carter, W. H. Aycock, Brenitz Pratt, Otto Moebes, J. A. Lovin, T. L. Besuchamp, H. C. McCord, S. M. Thompson, A. A. Hardage, W. W. Rahm, W. E. Spahr, W. H. McCulloch, Jack Dillehay, C. L. Buck, E. R. Wells, Stanley Wyatt, Claud Crawford, John L. Proctor, Henry Pappert.

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GROWTH OF CITY MAKES NECESSARY INCREASE OF POLICE FORCE OF ALBANY

A. S. GRUBBS, FORMER DEPUTY, IS MADE POLICEMAN FOR SOUTH ALBANY; FORCE NOW NUMBERS FOUR.

TO IMPROVE GORDON SCHOOL

COUNCIL ALSO DECIDES TO MEET FIRST AND THIRD TUESDAY INSTEAD OF ON MONDAY NIGHT. COBB'S REPORT.

The Albany city council at its regular meeting last night decided to enlarge the police force, putting an extra man permanently in South Albany, thus giving the city four police officers.

A. S. Grubbs, employed for several years as a deputy by Sheriff Forman and a man of many years experience as an officer and detective, was employed by the board for the position, three others being applicants. The council made the selection unanimously. The growth of the city made the enlargement of the police force necessary.

The board also decided to hold its meetings beginning in April, on the first and third Tuesday night instead of Monday as heretofore, the former meeting nights conflicting with the meetings of the Albany Board of Commerce.

Alderman McCulloch, chairman of the public property committee, reported on his inspection of the Gordon school. He declared that some parts of the school building are in a deplorable condition and at least \$500 should be spent by the board in improvements. The board decided to do this work by the opening of the next school year in September. A concrete basement will be put in and much work done on the first floor.

E. M. Ellis appeared before the board to suggest that water meters be installed in the city instead of the flat rate system now used by the Alabama Water Company. Members of the board explained that the franchise of the company has yet 19 more years to run, a 45-year franchise having been granted the company 26 years ago.

The following requests were presented to the board and referred to proper committees:

To raise the sidewalks along Third avenue; to allow the Southern Cotton Oil Mills to erect a shed at the end of Eighth avenue, east; to use cinders along Tenth street, south, and to give a regular donation to the Salvation army.

The regular monthly bills and reports were presented to the council. The report of Chief of Police Cobb submitted to the council is as follows:

White males arrested, 17; convicted, 15.
Colored males arrested, 14; convicted, 14.
Colored females arrested, 1; convicted, 1.
Fines imposed on white, \$81.90.
Fines imposed on colored, \$92.00.
Total fines imposed, \$174.00.
Fines paid in cash, white, \$34.80.
Fines paid in cash, colored, \$57.45.
Fines worked out, \$12.65.
Fines outstanding, \$43.30.
Fines suspended, \$11.60.
Total credit, \$174.00.

PROBING GERMAN ACTION IN CUBA

GOVERNMENT SEEKING TO FIND OUT IF ASSISTANCE WAS PROMISED THE REBELS.

(International News Service.) Havana, March 13.—The government today launched a determined investigation to learn whether German plotters were behind the rebellion that sought the overthrow of President Menocal's government.

Revolutionary proclamations in the hands of government agents declare that Germany promised to recognize the Gomez government if the rebellion succeeded and promised freedom from "the odious yoke" resting on Cuba. In some quarters this was taken to mean the connection between Cuba and the United States.

STRANGE CRAFT ENCOUNTERED.

(International News Service.) New York, March 13.—A strange craft, possibly a German raider, was encountered off the Azores on the evening of Feb. 24 by the steamer Ashkild, its officers reported on arrival here today.

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Condensed Statement March 5th, 1917

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Overdrafts.....141.92	Surplus.....20,000.00
Building and Fixtures.....23,052.39	Undivided Profits.....35,219.41
Other Real Estate.....1,681.50	Reserved for Interest.....1,308.52
U. S. Bonds.....100,000.00	Reserved for taxes.....447.73
Other Bonds.....23,600.00	Circulation.....98,000.00
Stock Federal Reserve Bank.....3,600.00	Dividend Checks.....20.00
Cash and Due from Banks.....228,952.29	Deposits.....400,218.25
Five per cent Fund.....5,000.00	
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L. & N. Freight Men Threaten To Strike

(Continued from Page One.)
ratory except the New Haven employees.

SOME MEN WON'T QUIT:
LIKE CONDITIONS AS NOW
(International News Service.)
Cleveland, March 13.—The big four brotherhoods do not expect all of their members on freight detail to respond to a strike order if it is issued. Men employed on several of the largest systems already have notified their chiefs that they are satisfied with present conditions.

BRITISH IDEA FOLLOWED
IF STRIKE IS ORDERED.
(International News Service.)
Washington, March 13.—The American labor movement will in the event of war be directed through practically the same channels which have given British labor leaders an enviable position at the government council table during the present European war. American labor leaders have decided on a course which practically duplicates that which British labor leaders have followed. This was the construction placed upon the action of the American Federation of Labor

Twelve Men Dead In Mine Explosion

(International News Service.)
Cannonsburg, Pa., March 13.—Twelve men are known to be dead as the result of a terrific double explosion which wrecked the mine of the Henderson Coal Company at Hendersonville this morning. It is feared that this number will be increased when the rescue squad reaches the workings where most of the miners were employed. Four hundred men were employed in the mine. Shifts were changing at the time of the explosion, averting a great disaster.

Tick Eradication Beaten In Etowah

Gadsden, Ala., March 13.—(Special.) In the tick eradication election held in Etowah county yesterday, the tick won by a majority of about 100.

HERMAN L. TURNER HEARD AT WESTSIDE; ELOQUENT SPEECH

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR IS SUBJECT OF SUNDAY SCHOOL EVANGELIST.

Through the courtesy of Rev. L. F. Goodwin, pastor of the West Side Presbyterian church, his regular preaching hour Sunday night was occupied by a largely attended public meeting of the West Side Christian Endeavor, the principal address of which was made by Herman L. Turner, Sunday school evangelist of the U. S. A. Presbyterian church in Alabama.

One of the most eloquent passages of the speaker's address was:

"The state cries, 'Give me men and mothers of the men; men who know their rights and knowing, dare maintain them.' Men who know their duties too, and are swift to do them. Men of far-seeing eyes. Men of generous ready hands. Give me men and mothers of men. The merchant gave to the state money, but that was not men. The farmer gave her grain, the manufacturer gave her goods of iron and steel. The quarryman gave her stone. None of these were men. The legislators gave her laws. The teachers gave her formulas. The writer gave her paper white and black. Still the state cried, 'I ask for bread and you gave me stones. I need men and the mothers of men.' And to the State, Christian Endeavor made answer: 'Here, my beautiful nation, here I bring you men and the mothers of men. Men of faith, hope and love. Men of courage and steadfastness. Men who honor their word and God and love their fellows and wish to serve the world. I give you men.'"

led the Christian Endeavor to the State. Men and mothers of men."

Aside from Mr. Turner's address there was the following program:

Chorus, "Wear a Crown;" favorite passages of scripture by the members; sentence prayers; scripture reading, Wilma Renniger, representing the Junior Christian Endeavor; scripture by Miss Ethel Lamon; chorus, "It Pays to Serve Jesus;" reading by Miss Lois Goodwin; The Growth of the C. E., by Miss Cassie Belle Robinson; Chorus, "The Christian Endeavor;" and "Steady and True;" Christian Endeavor in Dixie, Mrs. H. G. Drake; offering taken for Southern Endeavor Organization; prayer for all Christian Endeavors. Rev. L. F. Goodwin, Rev. Goodwin also made an inspiring address to the Endeavors and to the large audience.

"Christian Endeavor in Principle and Practice," was the speaker's subject. He said in part:

"The first young people's society of Christian Endeavor was organized on February 2, 1881, in Williston Congregational church, Portland, Me., by the Rev. Dr. Frances E. Clark. From a small beginning in one church this movement has grown so rapidly until now there are over 80,000 Christian Endeavor societies in the world, with a membership of approximately four million. At first the growth was slow, but afterwards gained a headway and now there are several thousand Christian Endeavor societies added each year. Last year in the southern 1,008 new societies were organized. In this movement all evangelical denominations are represented, there being eighty-seven affiliating. In America, the Presbyterians are leading. In England the Methodist and Baptist. Throughout the whole world Christian Endeavor is leading in the Methodist church. You will find Christian Endeavorers in all parts of the world."

"Facts prove that Christian Endeavor is a flexible movement and is equally adapted to all congregations in all parts of the world which shows that the movement is not undenominational but interdenominational. The name of this great movement has had much to do with its success—Endeavoring to be a Christian."

"Christian Endeavor demands faith in Christ; open acknowledgement of Christ; service for Christ and loyalty to the church. It is for Christ and the church. It stands for a deeper down and a higher up religion. It is the training school of the church. Into the society the new Christian comes, however young or feeble, he will be recognized as a Christian and given something to do for the church and his Christ. Here he will be given an opportunity to openly acknowledge Christ as his Savior. As young people we are afraid of our voices in public, but in our society meetings we are constantly reminded of the importance of giving original testimony. A young lad with a very stammering speech stood up in his society one evening and gave his testimony, for Christ and the church. It was given in such an embarrassing manner that his pastor advised him not to try any more. This young man had a determined purpose in life, and he said it was his purpose to testify for

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Break Is Approved By Chinese House

(International News Service.)

London, March 12.—The Chinese house of representatives has approved the government's diplomatic course, and the proposed breaking off of relations with Germany.

his Christ whenever the opportunity presented itself. That man is the Hon. J. A. McDonald, one of the great men of the North American continent, and editor of the Toronto Globe.

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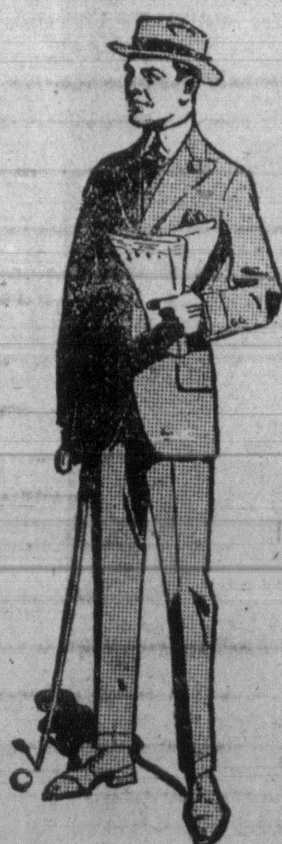
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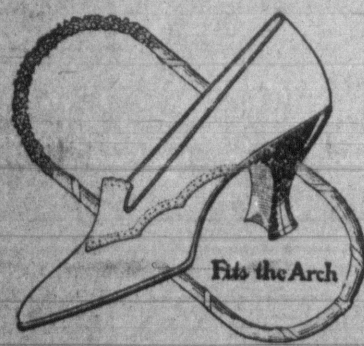
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